

(2) At specific stations within the United States which have been authorized by the Secretary of the Navy to sell these items.

§ 728.93 Chart of adjuncts.

The following chart and footnotes provide information relative to adjuncts which may be furnished the several categories of beneficiaries eligible for medical care at naval MTF's.

| Adjuncts | Active duty and retired members | Others authorized the same benefits as active duty or retired members ⁽⁸⁾ | Dependents authorized the same benefits | Other beneficiaries ⁽⁹⁾ |
|---|---------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|
| Ambulance service | Yes | Yes | Yes ⁽¹⁾ | No |
| Artificial eyes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Maybe ⁽³⁾ |
| Artificial limbs | Yes | Yes | Yes | Maybe ⁽³⁾ |
| Contact or special lenses ⁽¹¹⁾ | Yes ⁽⁴⁾ | Yes ⁽⁴⁾ | Maybe ⁽²⁾ (4) ⁽⁶⁾ | No |
| Crutches ⁽⁷⁾ | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Dental prostheses | Yes | Yes | Maybe ⁽⁹⁾ | Maybe ⁽⁹⁾ |
| Elastic stockings | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Hearing aids ⁽¹⁰⁾ | Yes ⁽⁵⁾ | Yes ⁽⁵⁾ | Maybe ⁽²⁾ | Maybe ⁽³⁾ |
| Hearing aid parts and batteries | Yes ⁽¹⁰⁾ | Yes ⁽¹⁰⁾ | Maybe ⁽²⁾ ⁽¹⁰⁾ | No |
| Hospital beds ⁽⁷⁾ | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Joint braces | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Orthopedic footwear | Yes | Yes | Maybe ⁽²⁾ | Maybe ⁽³⁾ |
| Prosthetic devices, other ⁽⁷⁾ | Yes | Yes | Maybe ⁽²⁾ | No |
| Respirators and inhalators ⁽⁷⁾ | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes ⁽¹⁾ |
| Resuscitators ⁽⁷⁾ | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes ⁽¹⁾ |
| Spectacles | Yes | Yes | Maybe ⁽²⁾ ⁽⁹⁾ | No |
| Walking irons ⁽⁷⁾ | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Wheel chairs ⁽⁷⁾ | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |

¹ When considered medically appropriate by the attending physician.

² See § 728.92(f).

³ Outside the United States and at designated remote stations when considered medically appropriate by the attending physician.

⁴ Contact or special lenses are not to be issued solely for cosmetic reasons. Further guidelines are contained in NAVMEDCOMINST 6810.1.

⁵ In addition to the hearing aid, include in initial issue one spare receiver cord, approximately 1 month's supply of batteries, and a statement indicating make, model, type of receiver, serial number, code, part numbers, "B" battery voltage, and type of "A" and "B" batteries, as appropriate. Provide replacement of hearing aids upon the same basis as initial issue and, except in unusual circumstances, will not be replaced within 2 years of the initial furnishing or the last replacement of the appliance.

⁶ Spectacles, contact lenses, or intraocular lenses may be provided dependents with eye conditions which require these items for complete medical or surgical management of a condition other than ordinary refractive error. For further information, consult NAVMEDCOMINST 6810.1.

⁷ May be loaned on a custody basis at the discretion of the attending physician.

⁸ See subpart of this part relating to specific beneficiary.

⁹ When considered by the attending physician and dentist to be an adjunct to a medical or surgical condition other than dental and when in consonance with existing legislation and directives.

¹⁰ For further guidelines, consult BUMEDINST 6320.41B.

¹¹ Includes intraocular lenses required for implantation upon removal of cataracts.

Subpart I—Reservists—Continued Treatment, Return to Limited Duty, Separation, or Retirement for Physical Disability

§ 728.101 General.

(a) *Notice of eligibility (NOE)*. While the NOE is basically a document that substantiates entitlement to a disability benefit equal to pay and allowances, it may be accepted when required to substantiate eligibility for benefits other than pay and allowances, i.e., treatment in USMTFs under the provisions of title 10, United States Code.

(b) *Physical disability benefits*. The following, excerpted and paraphrased

from SECNAVINST 1770.3, paragraph 10, is applicable when a reservist may be entitled to physical disability benefits.

(1) When a notice of eligibility (NOE) has been issued to a member hospitalized in a naval MTF and the attending physician is of the opinion that recovery is not anticipated or that the reservist is not expected to be fit for return to full duty within a reasonable period, a medical board will be convened and the case managed the same as that of a Regular member. Assure that a copy of the NOE accompanies the medical board report forwarded to the Central Physical Evaluation Board.